

Grant Competition Notice

The U.S. Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency plans to solicit applications from entities interested in becoming part of its nationwide network of minority business development centers providing consulting services to minority business enterprises.

- Minority Business Enterprise Centers (3 locations) Award period covers April 1, 2008 - December 31, 2009
- Native American Business Enterprise Centers (5 locations)
 Award period covers April 1, 2008 March 30, 2011
- Minority Business Opportunity Centers (8 locations) Award period covers April 1, 2008 – March 30, 2011

Details outlining each MBDA program, the competition process and application requirements will be published in a *Federal Register* notice and on www.Grants.gov in the upcoming weeks. Information and copies of the notices will also be available on MBDA's website at www.mbda.gov.

Pre-application meetings/teleconference calls are also being planned. The application period is anticipated to be 45 days with exact dates for each competition published in the notice and on MBDA's website.

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